

# COMRADESHIP IS OBLITERATING OLD AMERICAN-BRITISH MISTRUST

JUST one day's comradeship in arms is worth more in cementing friendship between the United States and Great Britain than decades of "blood is thicker than water" sentimentality. We were fed up on that sentimentalism. It was sentimentalism that kept the old American-British relations between the two countries. It means something real today. It is not the blood relationship, but the relationship of aims, ideals, hopes and aspirations that counts.

The blood relationship between Americans and Britons is slight. It is no greater than that between Americans and the peoples of several other nations. The common use of the English language is the chief link between Americans and the English. Although Germany often endeavors to make the world see an awful menace from "the Anglo-Saxons," referring to the United States and Great Britain, the United States is not Anglo-Saxon. It is a composite of nationalities. Once it might have been called a jumble of nationalities, in spite of Israel Zangwill and his ideal of the "melting pot." Now war has put the fire under the pot and the fusion is complete. All nationalities under our flag have been melted into one and the result is a nation of Americans, not British-Americans, German-Americans or French-Americans.

Many factors have contributed to preventing, prior to our engagement in the war, an affectionate feeling between Britons and Americans. Among Americans of English descent there was the old feeling remaining from the wars between the United States and Great Britain. Among Americans of other ancestry, there were other national or racial antipathies. But there has always been a surface kinship, a sort of cousinship expressing itself alternately in friendship and irritation, as is to be expected between cousins.

During the past year especially, Americans and Britons have learned to know each other and appreciate each other better than ever before. The realization of the community of ideals has forged a binding link between the two peoples. Aided by the knowledge of a common peril, it has almost wholly obliterated the old mistrust of British policy.

Much of that mistrust concerned British policy in Ireland. Many of our immigrants have been Irish. They have brought to this country their feeling against the British government, the belief that they were being oppressed, mistreated, misruled. There is still some of that feeling, perhaps to be removed when Britain grants Ireland home rule. But the fact that the United States has conscription while Ireland refuses to have conscription or to volunteer, has pulled the sting from the most chronic of the current causes of misunderstanding.

Visits of Canadian, English and Australian troops in the United States have demonstrated the essential community of aims and interests between the two nations. The training of American troops in England, Scotland and Wales where their camps are surrounded by Britons who show them every act of friendliness and the mingling of American and British troops in France has infinitely aided the process of establishing a close national friendship through the medium of close personal friendships. Every American who returns from the war area sings the praises not only of France but of British policy.

In the process of creating strong and real friendship, the personality of King George has had a considerable part. Americans have had their ideas of formal, stiff-necked British rulers, a tradition since the rule of the king George whom we fought in the revolutionary war. These ideas have been knocked galley west by the king George of today for personally he is as democratic as any president. He has addressed a letter of warmest welcome to all incoming American soldiers. He has reviewed, shaken hands with, dined with and talked with thousands of them of all ranks, manifesting as complete interest in the private as in the general. All the United States rang with his interest in the army-navy baseball game, at which he officiated as the mayor of an American town would. And new publicity is given to the appreciation of his democracy by the congressmen whom he recently received.

The achievements of British arms in recent days are calling forth the fullest measure of applause in America. There was a time when a feeling pervaded this country that Britain was not putting her full weight in the war. The noisy wrangles of British politicians received more notice than the silent work of the British fleet. We realize now that that fleet stood between us and the enemy and the days when we were preparing for war, and that it is still helping powerfully in our protection. The work of the British army once was dimmed by the immobility of

the western front. The British army is now winning its full share of appreciation for its magnificent dashes into the enemy's lines and the grim tenacity with which it holds to the ground it takes.

There was a time when the British believed we valued the dollar above principle. That was removed when we entered the war. There was a time when the British mistrusted the caliber of our troops. That doubt was wiped out when we captured Cantigny and stopped the Germans at the Marne.

There remains one old suspicion, the mistrust of British policy with respect to trade after the war. Some Americans are prone to attribute to Great Britain the selfish policy which a great trade power with control of the sea might cherish. The United States is also working on a trade reconstruction policy and it would be most worth while for the two governments to join with France and Italy in working out a cooperative plan for dealing with trade problems after the war. This would remove the last suspicion.

## No Duplication In Relief

THROUGH the \$5,000,000 federal fund, the \$2,000,000 state fund and private contributions, every effort is being made to relieve the drought sufferers of west Texas and make them again self supporting. So much effort is being made, in fact, that some sentiment is arising that more aid is being offered than is necessary. There seems to be an idea that three sources of relief are not necessary. The relief agencies are not duplicating each other's work. The president's \$5,000,000 fund is intended as a crop loan for the benefit of the southwest wherever drought conditions have paralyzed the farming industry. The Texas legislature's \$2,000,000 fund is also to finance loans but only to the people of Texas. The time for securing these state loans has almost expired and only about one-fourth of the whole sum has been taken. Apparently farmers and others in the drought area have been unable to take up more.

The contributions are for the relief of those who cannot take loans and who need money for food. They are for relief in the true sense, the alleviation of want. The governor is receiving these contributions and his suggestion that donations be made has received a response already assuming generous proportions. More than a dozen \$1000 checks have been received and scores more in sums ranging from \$500 down have reached his office.

The money received by these contributions will be distributed through the state council of defense which is working out a plan in that connection.

Papers in central Texas tell of scores of farmers leaving the drought areas, moving out on trains, in automobiles, buggies and even the old prairie schooners. Many are going to other states.

The chief thing is to aid the drought victims for humanitarian reasons. Secondly, they must be kept on the land, if possible so that farm lands may not revert to the desert and towns may not become deserted villages.

There's this about the anti suffrage women: They are determined not to have their rights and will fight sooner than have them.

Very likely the Kaiser would trade a Ludendorff for a Foch and throw in old man Hindenburg to boot.

Capt. Boy-Ed says he is unable to believe the war is popular in America. And there are men right here in El Paso facing the draft and scared for fear the war will be over before they get a chance to stick a bayonet at Heine.

Those who fear they may not be able to get a new automobile every year should remember it has been several years since an Englishman has seen a new car. They are buying and selling used cars over there and getting along very nicely. So are the repair men.

W. S. stamps will make fine Christmas presents and do your Christmas shopping early.

These cavalrymen out on practice hikes in August find their places in the sun.

The girl who married six soldiers and secured allotments from all of them proved herself a first class financier except that she got caught.

## Roundabout Town

### Gallagher Family, Of El Paso, Is Winning Much Publicity El Paso Man Sees The Funny Side Of Camouflage In France

EL PASO doesn't have to win all its fame from Mexican raids and bootleggers. Some of its patriotic people are winning laurels for the city abroad.

"The Gallagher family of El Paso, Texas, is noted throughout the Lone Star state as never doing anything by halves," says a publicity bulletin sent broadcast by the Knights of Columbus press bureau, of New York. "It is the whole thing or nothing with the Gallaghers and now, true to tradition, the whole family, six sons and a daughter, has enlisted to help the government win the war. Four of the sons are in the army, another is a Knight of Columbus secretary and the sixth has made an application to the knights. There is only one daughter, Miss Monica, and she is filling an application to the winners—or in any capacity where she will be of service."

"Four of the boys have commissions; Donald is a captain, Hiram and Leo are lieutenants. Paul is a captain, serving as a physician in the hospitals near the fighting zone. Capt. Donald Gallagher and Lieut. Hiram Gallagher are 'somewhere' in France and Leo is at Camp Funston, Kansas, ready to go. Francis is packing his trunk at Knights of Columbus headquarters and his sister, Monica, is there, to see that he does it right."

"Donald is a lawyer, a graduate of Yale; Hiram is a physician, a graduate of Johns Hopkins; Leo is a lawyer, with Yale as his alma mater; Paul is a physician, a graduate of the University of Chicago; Francis is a banker and Peter is a mining engineer. Miss Monica is a typical American girl—charming, handsome and energetic."

"The patriotic family are descendants of the late Dr. F. W. Gallagher, noted as a physician of exceptional skill in his profession, to the winner, who gave her six sons and her daughter to war's activities, will remain at home, El Paso, awaiting the family reunion after the Hun has been beaten."

"Conversational speedsters" form the latest group of motorists. Jack Sheehan belongs to this class—he says he

made Leasburg dead recently in less than four hours. Lieut. J. R. Ricketts at Fort Bliss also belongs to this class or in justice court for he says he has been in 35 minutes, including a trip through the city."

"L. Hunt, a former member of the employes' union at El Paso, now a corporal in the camouflage section in France, writes that he and his comrades at the Crawford theater, where he was formerly employed, and other members in the city, are all well."

"Well, here I am, working the biggest fire show in the world and working under the scales without any over-time pay."

"The International is well represented in our organization, from deck hands to artists, and believe me, there is plenty for them to do."

"So far I have been able to dodge all the big ones and if my turn in hospital will be back inside the flat stuff again."

"You know we don't have an orchestra to work by here and I miss it even yet. But when we put up a tent it is like a run, and we have a lot of fun playing a college town with a bum one night, but most of the time we fool him."

"This would be a fine country but for the rain and mud. You know all that mud. It is a nuisance, but we get used to the muddy lots and don't feel unless our feet are wet."

"Hazy camping used to be here at the front with me but he is now back at our headquarters. He is a jockey on a three foot horse."

"If responsibility made some men's bodies swell in proportion to their brains, we would have a lot of fat people running around us."

Who can remember the old time sign that used to read: "Watermelon on ice, five cents a slice?"

A woman is never pleased with a photograph but most men are satisfied with any old thing the photographer gives them of themselves.

Men used to run to the bar to paint their noses. Women still

Uncle Walt's Denatured Poem.

## Words And Coin

IF words would swat the raging foe, and lay a swath of Teutonic low, the war would end tonight; we've countless lads who'd elude the stuff from the war lord Teut, and put his hosts to flight. We've countless gents who spend their days inventing epigram and phrase, and hard boiled metaphor; the way they read the Hun is great, and ought to jar that Wilhelm skate—but words won't win the war. The gent who buys some green thrift stamps brings terror to the Prussian camps, far more than windy sharks, who keep their keppies in their paws, but stay exact, to make a few remarks. Dig up, dig up, before you spill! Dig up the bone, the buck, the wheel, the kroner and the yen! Go down in your tin savings bank, dig up the shilling and the franc, dig up the iron me! When you have stripped the strongbox bare, then you may stand and paw the air until the cows come home; but talk that isn't backed by wealth won't interrupt a Teuton's health, or cleave his crested dome. September comes—another "Loan" will call for every hard earned bone that patriots can raise; and he who says himself a bond does more to help our boys beyond, than all the screeching jays.

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## The Letter From Home

By Hal Coffman



## Little Interviews

### El Paso People Could Make Soldiers Happy With Theater Civilian Chaplains Withdrawing From Army Camps Oct. 1

"ONE thing that Fort Bliss needs badly is a theater," said Maj. Timothy J. O'Keefe, chaplain of the 5th cavalry. "There is no place at the post large enough for a theatrical performance or for a big meeting in bad weather. We hold our big gatherings on the parade ground, but it is impossible for a speaker or singer to be heard. If the people of El Paso wish to do something really big for the soldiers at Fort Bliss, they will erect a suitable theater inside the post the next time they feel a generous enthusiasm overcoming them. The swimming pool has been a great treat for the men; they need a theater as badly. If the people who helped to make possible the swimming pool could only see the enjoyment it gives the soldiers, they would feel more than repaid for their contributions."

"Some time ago the government very diplomatically informed civilian chaplains doing work in army camps that their services would no longer be required and that time all of us have been finishing up our work so that we could withdraw about October 1," said Dr. C. E. Byram of St. Thomas' Episcopal church. "Under the old scheme, every denomination attempted to keep a minister in every camp and there was not a sufficient number to do the work required in civil life and to furnish the army with suitable material for regular chaplains. I planned to look first after the hospital, then my own denomination, and finally to labor for the good of the post generally. Nearly all of us have found that our work has been more of a general than of a special nature. That is, that it has not been confined to denominational limits."

"The ship stop street car system new in use at El Paso is a wonderful feat," said Charles D. Boldt, of Detroit, Mich. "The fact that some people may have to walk a block may disconcert them, but it is going to need this winter. Why, for just one of our transports it takes 7500 tons of coal to carry over 11,000 troops. Every lump helps."

"I have been in El Paso many times in the past few years," said A. B. Johnson, of Norfolk, Va., "and I have always been a booster for the town. Anything will thrive in El Paso. Any industry here will be backed by the business men and will make good. The only thing I know of that El Paso couldn't handle would be a naval training station and I honestly believe that if the city should be selected for one that the citizens would dem the Rio Grande to get the necessary water."

"Whatever may be the extent of litigation over the funds remaining from the recent primary, it must be said that accounts were kept in perfect shape," said R. Del Richey, "Chairman J. J. Kaster credit for this. So far as I know, no party chairman furnished the candidates with such a complete itemized statement of how their money was spent."

"Everybody has to show respect to the flag when I am near," said policeman A. A. Funk at union station Tuesday afternoon. "As a general rule, men stand when 'The Star Spangled Banner' is played and take off their hats when the flag passes; but occasionally some one fails to respect these symbols of our country and that man always gets a call down good and proper from me. All of us who stay around the station have agreed to make it unpleasant for any one who refuses to salute all flags and national anthems. Our boys are giving for our country across the seas and it is as little as those who stay at home and reap the rewards of their blood run do to take off their hats to the flag and stand when the hymn is sounded. The other day, when the bodies of these two French officers who were drowned near River City passed through El Paso, a newspaper reporter stood without taking off his hat until I knocked it off. I did not try to be gentle with him, not at all. Flags and things connected with our allies must be respected just like our own in these perilous times."

"I have received from the adjutant general's office at Washington a letter saying that insignia for men who have been exempted or honorably discharged from the government service may be provided by a bill introduced in January," said Winchester Cooley, field director of the Red Cross here. "This office has had to take cognizance of the fact that many patriotic men in this part of the south-

west, who have every appearance of perfect health, have been turned down by the army in case of draft or an enlistment by reason of physical disqualifications. Notwithstanding that these men have attempted to do their duty and have been prevented by reason of no fault of their own, yet their healthy appearance has caused people not knowing of their refusal by the army to annoy them both directly and indirectly with the charge of being 'blackies.'"

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## Getting Paged By A Fellow Is Often Expensive And Also Bit Inconvenient

DEAR K. C. B.—One night I was dining at the St. Francis in San Francisco and you were seated in a remote corner and felt sorry for you, and knowing you were a stranger and wanted everybody to know you I decided to help you out.

So I went across the street to the Stewart Hotel and phoned the St. Francis and requested them to page you, and my friend told me you smiled, as you went out, at the guests who stared at you, because always before they thought you were a myth.

I paid the bellboy a dollar to holler loud, and now I am a soldier working for \$30 a month, and I thought you would send me the dollar, because now you are famous and it would be a lifesaver for me, because I am hungry most of the time. Or I would consider the debt well paid, if you could write me to one of those breakfasts you told everybody to treat the soldiers to.

Yours respectfully, Calvin Wallace.

MY DEAR Cal,

I REMEMBER the night.

AT THE St. Francis.

WHEN I was lonely.

AND NOBODY knew me.

AND THE boy paged me.

AND GAVE me a thrill.

AND I went out.

AND WENT to the phone.

AND THE girl said.

THAT WHOEVER it was.

HAD HUNG UP.

AND I started back.

AND A fellow stopped me.

AND CRIED on my hand.

AND SAID he was hungry.

AND WANTED something to eat.

AND HAD a job in Stockton.

AND BECAUSE I was so glad.

THAT SOMEBODY had paged me.

I GAVE him five dollars.

AND THE first thing he did.

WAS ASK me to have a drink.

AND I didn't take it.

AND WENT back to the diningroom.

AND WHILE I had gone.

THE WAITER had cleared off the table.

AND I lost half of my dinner.

AND EVER since then.

I'VE BEEN looking for the guy.

THAT HAD me paged.

AND I'M glad you wrote me.

BECAUSE I want you to know.

AND I thank you.

AND ANY fellow.

THAT GETS 20 dollars a month.

COUGHT to know.

THAT THAT'S a lot of money.

BUT NOW you're in the army.

I'M GOING to forgive you.

AND IF you'll tell me your company.

AND THE number of the regiment.

I'LL SEND you a receipt.

FOR THE whole six.

AND MY wife says.

I CAN ask you to dinner.

AND AFTER that.

WE'LL GO to the Crawford.

AND AFTER that.

WE'LL GIVE you a bed.

AND THE next morning.

WE'LL GIVE you breakfast.

AND BEFORE you leave.

I'LL PAY you the dollar.

AND WHEN you get to Berlin.

YOU CAN send me a lock.

OF THE Kaiser's hair.

OR ONE of his ears.

OR ANY old thing.

I DON'T care.

ONLY I hope.

YOU'LL TAKE Jack Sheehan.

WHEN YOU go over.

HE COMES in and smokes.

WHEN I am busy.

AND HE never.

OFFERS ME a cigar.

AND I thank you.